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Docket No.: 016866-008200US

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Edward J. Gavin, et al.

Andrea S. Beck

Application No.: 10/084,587

Filed: February 25, 2002

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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.26(a)

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Sir:

This is a request for the refund of an erroneously-paid fee of \$395.00 under 37 CFR §1.26(a). An RCE was filed by mistake and without deceptive intent with our Request for Reconsideration on January 12, 2006 in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed July 14, 2006. A copy of the relevant RCE Transmittal is enclosed.

Applicants did file a Request For Reconsideration on January 12, 2006 and pursuant to the Notice of Improper Request For Continued Examination (RCE) mailed on February 3, 2006, a reply to a non-final Office action was filed and consideration of the Request for Reconsideration is requested.

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Accordingly, Townsend and Townsend and Crew, LLP is entitled to a refund of \$395.00. Applicants respectfully request that the refund be made to Deposit Account Number 20-1430. This request is submitted in duplicate.

## **CONCLUSION**

If a telephone conference would be helpful in the review or processing of this request, the reviewer is invited to telephone the undersigned at 415-273-7529.

Respectfully submitted,

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